## TEACHERS INSTITUTE IS TO BE HELD

INSTRUCTIVE PROGRAM PLAN FOR PEDAGOGUES OF COUNTY FOR SEPTEMBER 19 AND 20.

A teachers' institute will be held at Ionia Thursday and Friday, Sept 19 and 20, at which every teacher in the county should be present as the program which has been arranged will be very beneficial to them.

The local city schools will be closed on Thursday and Friday of this week to enable Supt. Skinner and his corps of teachers to attend the institute.

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follows: THURSDAY-Forenoon. 9:30—Association singing.
Devotional exercises—Rev. E. E.

Address-Dr. F .B. Blair. Recess and enrollment. Address-Prof. C. S. Larzelere.

Afternoon 1:15—Singing and roll call. Address—Dr. F. B. Blair.

Address-Prof. C. S. Larzelere, Address-Harvey H. Lowrey. Evening 8:00—Singing—Harold Jarvis. Address—Dr. F. B. Blair. Singing—Harold Jarvis.

FRIDAY 9:00-Singing-Harold Jarvis. Roll Call.

Address-Dr. F. B. Blair. Singing—Harold Jarvis.
Address—Prof. J. B. Edmonson,
Address—Harvey H. Lowrey.

Afternoon
High school section, held at high school room, Supt. A. A. Rather,

1:00-Address-Prof. J. B. Edmon. Graded and rural school section at

Centra! school building.

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Ames who has been at Lincoln's for the past three years and the groom is the son of Mrs. Nellie Ireland, who managed the hardware business of his father, the late T. Frank Ireland until his the late T. Frank Ireland until his the late T. Frank Ireland until his arcund her.

outside of the French port the business of nine submarines. Torpedoes went past both bow and stern of the boat and shell acquainted with each other and at line from the undersea craft fell all arcund her.

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Their many friends have been showering them with congratulations and best wishes.

### REV. LATHAM AT THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Service will be held in the Congregational church Sunday, both morning and evening. Rev. E. R. Latham, of Lansing, one of the officials of the Michigan Congregational control the t ference, will occupy the pulpit. visit churches without a pastor, get in touch with conditions on the field and offer advice and suggestions as to

in touch with conditions on the field and offer advice and suggestions as to the needs and efficiency in church work. He will bring a message to the Belding church and hopes to greet a large congregation.

Commercial Instructor Here. Wilbur H. Beery, commercial teacher, who was secured by the local board of education following the resignation of Frank Donovan when it became a fact that the latter had to go to war, has arrived in the city and is taking up his new duties at once. Mr. Beery will also take charge of athletics in the local schools. He is a first-class football man and the local aleven will undoubtedly be able to make a good showing this coming season.

In the water after their boats had gone down. The French waters were so full of submarines that it was necessary for the Leviathan to carry her French pilot to the American port to avoid the danger that would follow any stop.

As far as could be learned no casualties resulted to Americans from the battles and the mighty ship is safe in her home port.

Trading With Enemy, Charged. Charles S. Sing, a prominent Howard City man was averaged at Grand.

Harrington-Pierson.

The marriage of Don Harrington and Miss Maude Pierson, both popular and well known and respected young people of this city, took place at the Baptist parsonage, Thursday afternoon at 3 oclock, Rev. W. A. Biss officiating and using the abridged Episcopal ring ceremony. The contracting parties to the nuptial knot were attended by Mr. Ralph Sherman and Miss Kate Cusick. They will continue to reside in Belding.

Wm. H. Shaw Dead.

William H. Shaw, a long time resident of the North side, died at his home Thursday morning at 10 oclock following a lingering illness caused by cancer. His funeral was held Saturday afternoon at 2 oclock, from the Methodist church, Rev. P. Ray Norton officiating and burial was in River Ridge cemetery.

Former Resident Dead.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey J. Currie and John J. Spriggs of this city and Olive J. Gurrie of Eiwell left here early monday morning for Coldwater, summoned there by the news of the death of Mrs. Winnie Pickhaver, daughter of Mrs. L. E. Currie and John J. Spriggs of this city and Olive J. Gurrie of Eiwell left here early monday morning for Coldwater, summoned there by the news of the death of Mrs. Winnie Pickhaver, daughter of John J. Spriggs. Mrs. Pickhaver, who had been a sufferer of cancer, died Sunday morning.

Give Birthday Surprise.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Bolster were agreeably surprised on Saturday evening when they returned to their home and found that their neighbors and friends to the number of about 25 had taken possession of the house and were all ready to help them celebrate the day fittingly, for they had found out that it was Amos' birthday. Well, Amos and Ida joined right in and decided to help them out in the celebrating and they all had a very good time. The evening was spent in playing games and at 12 o'clock the hour when ghosts prowl around, or are reputed to do so, light refreshments were served and after this the self-invited guests returnd to their homes, wishing Amos many happy returns of the day.

## HELPED IN FIGHTING **GERMAN U-BOATS**

LYLE WRIGHT, ON LEVETHIAN, BATTLES SUBS ALL WAY OVER ATLANTIC OCEAN.

Lyle Wright, son of Mrs. Delia Wright, who is now in the United States navy and who has made numerous trips to both French and English ports, sends the following clipping home. The clipping is from a New York newspaper and tells of a return trip which the big transport made recently:

the battle front.
In spite of the fact that her pro-

In spite of the fact that her progress was continually hampered by U-boat attacks in which the mighty vessel and her convoy of "chasers" fought off in all 18 submarines, sink-ink five of them, the trip was made in record time. The Leviathan accomplished the round trip in 17 days, two of which were spent in a French port,

Contral school building.

1:00—Assocation singing.
Address—Dr. F. B. Blair.
Address—Harvey H. Lowrey.

LOCAL GIRL WEDS
CAMP CUSTER SOLDIER

Walter W. Ireland has been home from Camp Custer to visit his wife and other relatives here.
Ames, were marrired in Battle Creek Saturday, Sept. 7, when the bride met her soldier boy and the ceremony was performed by the Baptist elergyman at the parsonage.

The wedding had been arranged to sold for pedoes the for Mr. Ireland to get a leave of absence for that day to come.
The couple are very popular young people of our city, the bride being the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Ames who has been at Lincoln's for the past three years and the groom is the son the years and the groom is the son three years and the groom is the son the years and the groom is the son three years and the groom is the years and years and the groom that they will leave lonie and that they will leave lone to get here.

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the hardware business of his father, the late T. Frank Ireland until his enlistment in the service last March. After the ceremony they left on a short trip to Buffalo and Niagara Falls, Mr. Ireland returning to Camp Custer where his duties are in the interpretation of the surface and epened fire than the stern gun of the Leviathan roared and a high explosive pierced the plates are also present the first plate and the program which higher than the progr Mrs. Ireland returned home and will and a high explosive pierced the plates of th U-boat and it sunk. It is store. that were in the engagement were

sent to the bottom.

The morale of Uncle Sam's seafighters was indicated by the behavior of the crew in the action. While the gunners were throwing shell after shell into the fleet of U-boats, the entire crew disregarding the danger came on deck and cheer after cheer went up as the gunners registered a hit. Officers, telling the story of the trip, say that the men acted as if they were cheering at a college boat sent to the bottom.

The famous Jackie band of the Great Lakes naval station will visit this city for a short time on Wednesday, October 2. More particulars will be given next week.

# REGISTERED IN

C. B. PRESTON WILL BE FIRST LOCAL MAN'TO RECEIVE HIS QUESTIONAIRE PAPERS.

Three hundred and forty-two local men between the ages of 18 and 21 and 31 and 46 stepped un to the registration officers in this city on Thursday, Sept. 12, in answer to the order of the national war officials and gave the information which had been asked for which would enable the government officials to properly classify the registrants for military service.

In the First ward the registration board took the names of 116 men and in the Second ward, 99 men were registered, while the old Third ward rolled up a total of 127 men. The boards worked from 7 o'clock in the morning until 9 o'clock at night and at no time were overworked in the registering of the names of the men affected by the draft.

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TRICT OR INTERNMENT.

Owing to limited space in this issue we are unable to publish the entire list of names which were registered, list of names which were registered, but the following will be among the very first to get their questionaires:

James F. Preston, Floyd C. Mapes, Stanley W. Glass, George E. Aubill, Francis M. Steele, R. Howard Hall, John R. Greenop, Ermond Marshall, Walter J. Wilson, Harry G. Evans, Ira Webster, Jesse G. Wilbur, John A. Slosser, Jay I. Norton, Hefman F. Walker, Ervin Dempskey, Glenn Wasnick, the latter being registered on Friday morning instead of the 12th, the day of registration. Another

Canada, will not be registered until he returns home.

County Clerk Moulton informs us that the questionaires will be mailed out this Wednesday and that those who receive them should read them over carefully so that when the officials who help you fill them out get at it, you will have some comprehension of the information which you are to give on the papers.

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Mr. Moulton also says that the next draft call from this county is for 53 men and that they will leave Ionia on October 7. This number, he says, will completely exhaust the original

Mr. Kerr and Mr. Rummler also gave
"May God Be With Our Boys. Tonight," in response to an encore.
Reading—Mrs. R. Earle Wilson.
Mrs. Wilson is an exceptionally good reader and this humorous article was

especially good.
Vocal solo—Miss Louise Anderson,
with Miss Ola Fern Litle at the piano. They also responded to an encore.
Violin duet—The Misses Velma and
and Selma Litle, with Miss Ola Fern
Litle at the piano. This was excep-

hit. Officers, telling the story of the trip, say that the men acted as if they were cheering at a college boat race and not witnessing one of the heaviest engagements an Amrican troop vessel has entered.

Little at the piano. This was exceptionally good.

Vocal solo, "Her Smile"—George E. Wagner with A. J. Rummler at the piano. Mr. Wagner favored the audience with "When The Boys Come Home," in response to the encore that

Notice, G. E. S.

Under special dispensation there will be a regular meeting of Doric chapter, No. 75, O. E. S., Tuesday evening, Sept. 24, to take the place of the regular meeting of Oct. 8. The meeting will call at 4 o'clock in the afternoon to confer degrees, after which supper will be served at 6:30a In the evening the past matrons will confer the degrees.

Bessie Petersen, Sec'y.

Reading a Horse's Character.

Cavalry officers learn to read a horse's character from its color. The bright chestnuts and light bays are high-spirited, but nervous and delicate. Dark chestnuts and glossy blacks are hardy and good tempered. Rich bays have great spirit but are teachable. Dark and iron grays are hardy and sound while light grays are the opposite. Roans are the hardiest and best working of all, even tempered, easiest to train, taking kindly to everything. Rusty blacks are stubborn. A horse with one white stocking is a bad one; with two, its temper is uncertain; with three, it is absolutely safe, while a horse with four white stockings may be trusted a short time only.—The People's Heme Journal.

TUNG, MICHIGAN, WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 18, 1918.

MUST OBTAIN PERMIT WHEN DESIROUS OF LEAVING DIS-TRICT OR INTERNMENT.

Sept. 12, 1918.

To the Banner-News: Just received a letter from the at-torney general asking me to send the following notice to all newspapers in this district with the request that they print same as a news item:

trip which the big transport made recently:

Marked with submarine battles that lasted in all more than two days and nights, the last trip made by the transport Leviathan, formerly the Vaterland of the Hamburg-American line, was the most eventful to be reported from any of the ships that have been carrying America's troops to the battle front.

Walter J. Wilson, Harry G. Evans, I'ra Webster, Jesse G. Wilbur, John A. Slosser, Jay I. Norton, Hefman F. Walker, Ervin Dempskey, Glenn Was nick, the latter being registered on Friday morning instead of the 12th, the day of registration. Another Second ward man, Will Rogers, who is at present hunting and visiting in Canada, will not be registered until the purpose of having endorsed there the purpose of having endorsed there is a new sitem:

"A German alien man or woman changing his or her place of residence to another place within the same registration district shall immediately report such change to the registration officer of the registration officer his or her registration card for the battle front. change of residence.

A German alien male or female who

desires to change his or her place of residence to a place of residence within another registration district must obtain a permit. Such German alien male or female must present themself to the registration officer of the district in which she or he then resides and make application for the permit on a form supplied by the officer and present his or her card to the registration officer for the purpose of having the permit of change of the property proportioned.

If I were building enough road, I'd expect this engineer to build' his organization from the best men obtainable, to establish a laboratory to test out all the materials to be used, to buy the best concrete mixer and put a man with a conscience to running it so that every batch of concrete would be properly proportioned.

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A change of residence in violation

A change of residence in violation of the regulations subjects an alien enemy, among other penalties, to arrest and detention for the period of

The registration officers who acted in the registration of German aliens will continue to act as registration officers for the purpose stated in respect to permits for change of residence.

### LOCAL SAVINGS **ASSOCIATION STARTS** ITS 30TH YEAR

SPLENDID RECORD IS RESULT AGEMENT OF CONCERN.

association to take care of any sudden increase in business which might come

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Beautified Cemetery Grounds.
Some of the members of the Holy
Name society of St. Joseph's Catholic
parish went out to the cemetery Saturday afternoon and put up a splendid wire fence across the front in
place of the old wooden one. They
also cleaned up the little triangle
shaped grove at the side of the road
and made the place look really beautiful. The men are to be commended
for their efforts to improve the looks
of the cemetery grounds.

livered th following address at the lot of work to take care of. Michigan State fair:

President P. L. Colgrove of the Michigan Good Roads' association askied me to tell you what kind of a road I'd build. Well, that's easy. Anybody could answer that for me. There's only one real road and that's the concrete road. But I'd like to tell how I'd build it. That's a different question.

question.

There is too much effort to save money on the first cost when we are building roads. It is the final cost for 20 or 50 years of service that counts. That means that we have got to combine the best brains, the best experience and the best materials into cur road, that's all. With that in mind I would engage the very best practical engineer that I could best practical engineer that I could find, regardless of salary. I'd make him understand that it was the best concrete road possible to build that I had in mind. I'd have him draw specifications and plans based on the experience of all builders of concrete roads which have proved satisfactory. I'd have him design it strong enough to stand the increased heavy tonnage that is sure to follow and I'd give him instructions to stamp his name and date upon every mile of road he built. A man is mighty careful about his reputation and if he signs his work he's going to build something that will be a credit to him.

If I were building enough road, I'd

be properly proportioned.

If it was best to let the work to a contractor, I would make the require. ments so rigid that only experienced contractors would want the work.

I would demand daily reports from every department so that my engineer and I would know what was going on.

I would widen or "moon" out the curves in order to prevent accidents so that the actual width of the pave-ment at the center of the curb would ment at the center of the curb would be 24 feet for an 18-foot pavement. I would super-elevate the outside of these curves to make steering easier and to prevent skidding. Such curves would be safe at all speeds. That's how I would build a concrete

road and it only costs a little more than a shoddy road, many of which our war trucks have torn and shot to But no war truck, I don't Herman O'Connor, United States Marshal. care how heavy, has torn up the good concrete roads, the honest concrete roads that are being built today. Ten inches in the middle is none too grea thickness for heavy traffic and 8 inch. es at the sides is insurance against

Concrete roads would be 10 years ahead of where they are today if the first concrete roads had been built with the same knowledge and engin eering skill that we have today. We didn't use enough cement. We didn't didn't use enough cement. We didn't know the importance of hard, clean SPLENDID RECORD IS RESULT White in the supervision of the supervision

cost and not enough in terms of first cost and not enough in terms of ultimate cost. We try to skin through on the least possible expenditure and of course that means trouble.

I can see the day coming when our main traveled roads will be built of concrete from 40 to 60 feet wide with

The annual meeting of the Belding Buflding & Loan association was held in the office of Secretary George E. Wagner on Monday evening and was well attended. Guy D. Weter acted as chairman of the meeting and the proposed by-laws were accepted as read by the secretary.

The charter which was obtained when the organization began doing business 30 years ago this coming May, was renewed for 30 years more and the capital was increased from one to five million dollars. This increase in the capital will allow of the association to take care of any sudden

up to 1914, for touring in this country to see our own country.

We've got about 450,000 motor trucks in use in this country and a lot of the trucks we are now shipping abroad are going to come back after the war. What are they going to do to our gravel and stone roads or our soft-stuff roads? They are literally "knocking the tar" out of all the roads we've got except concrete. Wherever there is a stretch of concrete you know there is economy of tires, gasoline and of the cars themselves.

"UNCLE" GEORGE

VAN PELT URGES

CEMENT ROADS

INSISTS THAT CONCRETE ROADS
WILL COME SOME DAY AND
WANTS THEM NOW.

George Van Pelt, who wrote an article on concrete roads, for the Banner-News some time ago recently delivered th following address at the

# TO HELP OUR

EVERY SOLDIER OR RED CROSS NURSE SHOULD HAVE HOME TOWN PAPER REGULARLY.

Every citizen interested in the boys Every citizen interested in the boys of his home town now at the front, and in the brave women who equally are serving their country abroad has an opportunity to show his appreciation of the sacrifice they are making. The opportunity comes as a result of the generosity and thought of Col. William Boyce Thompson of New York, who has conceived and put into execution what is known as the Home Paper Service.

emergency than the spirit of loneli-ness in those serving their country, and officials know that nothing can dispel this feeling more effectually than reading the home town newspa-

Publishers of newspapers in all parts of the country—this newspaper included—have grasped with pleasure the plan outlined by Col. Thompson, and they have agreed to cooperate in

amount of one subscription. It does not matter whether the rich man sends in \$100 or the poor boy or little girl sends in five cents. Each gift will be a message of love and helpfulness to the home town folks "ever there." The money will be lumped into one fund, out of which subscriptions will be entered as fast as the money is re-

Contributors who send in the full price of a year's subscription may, if they wish, designate to what tarticular person they wish the newspaper sent, but if the name given is already listed as receiving the paper, then the published reserves the right to apply the suoscription to some less fortunate soldier boy or noble woman who is just as lonely for news of home

be entered as fast as the money is re-

and home folks.

The name of every contributor to this home paper service will be published in this newspaper, and the name of everyone entered for a subscription will be published as well as the number of those remaining whose sub-

cent contributed goes to the good cause.

The mothers of our boys are facing and ordeal with a bravery that commands respect and admiration. Here and there where tiny stars are turned from blue to gold, where anguish grips the heart, the nation stands in silence and honors the women who have given of their blood, the very bone of their bone, to their country. To them, home has lost its meaning—the soul of it has fled—there is no home, it is just a place, and no place is quite so lenely, unless it be within the hearts of those brave sons in far off France who long for just a word of home. There cannot be a man, there cannot be a woman, no, not even a child, who will fail to contribute just a little to make the hearts of these patriots lighter. Not one. Not in our town.

Is Assistant Teacher.

Miss Helen Pressly has been engaged by the board of education to take the position as assistant teacher for the first grade, following the knowledge that there were more than 50 little folks in that grade of the local schools—aftogether too many for one teacher to handle.

Dorothy Dalton in "The Price Mark" Sunday at Empress theater.

# KEY BOARD TO THE MACHINE GUN TRIGGER

FRANCIS J. MAGIN, FORMERLY LINOTYPE OPERATOR, TELLS OF GOING OVER THE TOP.

From pounding the keps on the linotype in the Belding News office a year ago to pulling the trigger on a machine gun pointed at the Germans, is the transition which has come into the life of Francis J. Magin, now with the American forces in France and up to the middle of last November, employed in the News office. It was like having a visit from the faithful employe himself when we received his letter and opened and read it. You remember what we told you about him when he left for the army last November? Well we said that he was a mighty good employe and that we knew he would make an equally good soldier in Uncle Sam's army. Our assertion at that time was based merely on what we personally knew of him, but Francis Magin's mother recently received a letter from the boy, which had been censored by his captain and before writing his cencoring mark, the captain wrote the folthe life of Francis J. Magin, now with ing mark, the captain wrote the following words: "Mother, he is a very good boy." Then followed the captain's mark.

generosity and thought of Col. William Boyce Thompson of New York, who has conceived and put into execution what is known as the Home Paper Service.

Under the plan, every man and woman in foreign service will receive the town newspaper, and so be kept it constant touch with the places and the people they know and love.

Every branch of the United States government is interested in the plan. The government realizes the importance of keeping those in the service happy and constantly in touch with their home ties and associations. Nething is more depressing in a national emergency than the spirit of lonelings in the service happy and constantly in touch with their home ties and associations. Nething is more depressing in a national emergency than the spirit of lonelings in the service in the service happy and constantly in touch with their home ties and associations. Nething is more depressing in a national emergency than the spirit of lonelings in the service in the service happy and constantly in touch with their home ties and associations. Nething is more depressing in a national emergency than the spirit of loneling interest in the Bahner and are now located in their place. It sure was some place when I saw it sure was some place when I saw it last alongside the old place and I hope the business picks up even more than it has been coming.

Well, Ed., since I received your let.

ter I have went "over the top." We went over just after dark and believe me, Eddie, it was some thrill. We got away with it and made an em-

placement for our gun. We were not disturbed by the Boche snipers but they made it damn hot for some of the other squads. under the ruling of the War Industries board newspaper publishers are forbidden to send their newspapers free, even to soldiers. The newspaper must be subscribed for in the regular way, the only exception being soldiers who formerly were in the employ of the newspaper and who left that service to enlist. Col. Thompson therefore proposes that the public in each community contribute to a fund so that the home newspaper (in our case this newspaper may reach) disturbed by the Boche snipers but they made it damn hot for some of the other squads.

Say, Ed., you no doubt have heard a lot about this shrapnel that is shot but you can't imagine what destruction it does to man and woods. The only way you can get away from it is to dig a hole long enough to lay in and deep enough to be below the surface and then of course he has to make a direct hit to get you. He shoots over so many shells that he now and then drops one right square in a hole and then it is good night for fund so that the home newspaper (in our case this newspaper may reach every man and woman now in the srvice of his country.

Anyone may contribute to the fund and any sum may be contributed. It is not necessary to contribute the entire amount of one subscription. It does

place up at the front. After we got back to a certain road just before coming away two of my men were nearly killed. They were sleeping in a hole dug in the side of a hill and the thing caved in on them. We had quite a time getting them out but we did so consequently we are all but we did so consequently we are all together back here resting before we go back to the front again. I only hope we don't go back to the same place. It has got to be finished pretty soon so it don't make any difference where we go as long as we finish
the thing so we can go back home
again to the ones we left. It will be
one grand and glorious trip back over
the old Atalantic and I don't care if
they pack the boat so full that I'll
have to stand up all the way over.
Say, Ed., I started to write this letter using the cover of a German am-

ter using the cover of a German am-munition box for my desk but I was up to the commissary truck and bought some things and brought back a wooden box that came straight from will be published as well as the number of those remaining whose subscriptions have not been covered.

The plan is endorsed by the publisher of this newspaper without any thought of profit, either directly or indirectly, but with a sincere desire to help keep the home fires burning and to send to our heroes and heroines news of the town to keep their hearts warm for us and to let them know they are constantly in our minds.

The publisher of course cannot make a profit on circulation and additional circulation such as this will be—circulation from non-purchasers sent far across the sea—can have no added value to the advertiser.

These facts are stated so that every cent contributed goes to the good cause.

The mothers of our boys are facing and ordeal with a bravery that commands respect and admiration. Here and there where tiny stars are turned from blue to gold, where anguish grips the heart, the nation stands in silence and honors the women who the U. S. and I am using it for my

Cp'l Magin, Co. B., 11th M. G. Bn., A. E. F.

Another letter this week is from Adelbert Richmond, to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Richmond, of Smyrna, who is now serving the nation in the navy. Just think of the good time that young Richmond and Frank Sears must have had crossing the ocean, when they recognized one another as being from Belding. The one in the business of going over to force back the Hun hordes and the (Continued on Page Five)

## HELP WANTED

Both Men and Women. Thomas Canning Company

Frenken and Buchanan Sta